UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Case Nos.

1:02-cr-0004

Plaintiff-Respondent,

1:05-cv-0821

v.

Response of the United States in

Opposition to Defendant's Motion to

Vacate Sentence

STEVEN JONES,

Defendant-Movant.

JUDGE S. ARTHUR SPIEGEL

This matter is before the Court on Defendant Steven Jones's motion to vacate, set aside, or correct sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255. (R. 43, Motion to Vacate). Jones pled guilty to bank robbery and was sentenced to a 100-month term of imprisonment in June of 2002. (R. 40, Judgment). He did not appeal, thereby procedurally defaulting all claims that could have been raised.

On December 22, 2005, he filed the instant motion to vacate sentence, arguing that he was sentenced in violation of *United States v. Booker*, 125 S. Ct. 738 (2005). The Sixth Circuit has held, however, that *Booker* is not applicable to cases on collateral review. *Humphress v. United States*, 398 F.3d 855, 863 (6th Cir.), *cert. denied*, 126 S. Ct. 199 (2005). Jones's motion should therefore be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Response of the United States in Opposition to Defendant's Motion to Vacate Sentence was served this 4th day of January, 2006 upon

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